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## General Education: Second Semester Foreign Language Proposal

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# SUNY BROCKPORT

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Resolution # 32  
2005-2006

## COLLEGE SENATE

TO: Dr. John R. Halstead, College President

FROM: The College Senate passed: May 1, 2006

RE: I. Formal Resolution (*Act of Determination*)  
II. Recommendation (*Urging the Fitness of*)  
⇒ III. Other, For Your Information (*Notice, Request, Report, etc.*)

SUBJ: **General Education: Second Semester Foreign Language Proposal**  
#52 05-06 GE

Signed: [Signature] Date: 5/4/06  
(Dr. Mark Noli, 2005-2006 College Senate President)

Please fill out the bottom portion and return document to the College Senate Office.

● The College Senate

FROM: College President

RE: I. Decision and Action Taken on Formal Resolution (circle)  
a. Accepted. Resolution Effective Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
b. Deferred for discussion with the Faculty Senate on \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
c. Unacceptable for the reasons contained in the attached explanation  
⇒ II, III. Response to Recommendation or Other/FYI  
a. Received and acknowledged \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
b. Comment: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Dr. John R. Halstead, College President, SUNY College at Brockport)

**COLLEGE SENATE OFFICE  
RESOLUTION PROPOSAL COVER  
PAGE**

**Routing  
Number**

**#52 05-06 GE**

ROUTING NUMBER TO BE ASSIGNED BY SENATE OFFICE

**DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS: FEBRUARY 23**

Proposals received after the deadline may not be reviewed until next semester.

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Submit proposals individually rather than packets with multiple documents.
- Complete this cover page for each proposal (available online at [www.brockport.edu/collegesenate](http://www.brockport.edu/collegesenate))
- Prepare proposal in Word format using committee guidelines (available online)
- Submit proposal electronically with this cover page to [senate@brockport.edu](mailto:senate@brockport.edu), [facpresz@brockport.edu](mailto:facpresz@brockport.edu)
- All updates must be resubmitted to the Senate office with an updated cover page, use routing number
- Questions? Call the Senate office at 395-2586 or the appropriate committee chairperson.

**1. PROPOSAL TITLE:**

Please be somewhat descriptive, for example, *Graduate Probation/Dismissal Proposal* rather than *Graduate Proposal*.

**General Education Foreign Language Requirement**

**2. BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL:**

All students entering SUNY Brockport in the Fall 2006 semester are required to take two semesters of a foreign language for the General Education program. Students may satisfy this requirement in any of the following ways: (see attachment).

**3. SUBMISSION & REVISION DATES: PLEASE DATE ALL UPDATED DOCUMENTS**

First Submission	Updated on	Updated on	Updated on
April 7, 2006	5/1/06		

**4. SUBMITTED BY: (contact person)**

Name	Department	Phone	Email
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**5. COMMITTEES TO COPY: (Senate office use only)**

Standing Committee	Forwarded To	Date
___ Enrollment Planning & Policies	Committee Chair	4/12/06 (emailed to T. Ralph and P. Siegel), 4/26/06 revision
___ Faculty & Professional Staff Policies		
<b>xxGeneral Education &amp; Curriculum Policies</b>	Executive Committee	4/26/06
___ Graduate Curriculum & Policies	Senate Floor	5/1/06
___ Student Policies	College President	5/3/06
___ Undergraduate Curriculum & Policies	Other	

\*(ROUTING NUMBER WILL BE A CHRONOLOGICAL NUMBER SEQUENCE FOLLOWED BY COMMITTEE INITIALS)

4/24/06 Executive Committee Minutes IV.A.3.

#52 05-06 GE approved by the General Education Committee. It was determined that this should be an announcement at the College Senate meeting (May 1) with an invitation for discussion.

## FOREIGN LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT

All students entering SUNY Brockport in the Fall 2006 semester are required to take two semesters of a foreign language for the General Education program. Students may satisfy this requirement in any of the following ways:

### Credit:

- Successful completion of two semesters of the same foreign language at Brockport. ( 6 credits)
- Successful completion of a course numbered **112 or higher**. (3 credits)
- Successful participation in a college-level program of study abroad of at least five weeks duration in which the language of instruction is in a language other than English. (6 credits)

### Waiver:

- A score of **85%** or higher on the third year foreign language Regents exam waives students from the first semester of the requirement. Students with this score do not need to take the placement exam if they enroll in a course at the 112 level. However they are encouraged to take the test to determine their level and to enhance advisement.
- A score of **3** or higher on the foreign language Advanced Placement (AP) exam waives the entire requirement.
- A 50% or better score on a foreign language CLEP exam waives the entire requirement.
- Placement at the third semester level or above on the SUNY Brockport Foreign Languages departmental placement exam waives the entire requirement. (Placement exams are offered in Spanish, French, Latin, Italian and German).
- Students for whom English is a second language. These students must document their study of a language other than English by providing the Chair of the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures a copy of a diploma or certificate proving that they have studied in that language.

### Transfer credit:

- Transfer credit from college-level language study for 3 credits waives the first semester requirement and 6 credits waives the entire requirement.

### Students with Disabilities statement:

" SUNY Brockport recognizes that some students may have severe documented learning or other cognitive disabilities that adversely affect language acquisition. These students may be accommodated with an alternative series of courses if they have been certified by the Coordinator of the Office for Students with Disabilities as requiring this accommodation. Eligibility for course substitution is determined based upon the submission and review of comprehensive, current documentation clearly indicating this need and is not dependent upon a student's past history of foreign language waiver. With this prior approval, students may take two courses from an approved set of courses on foreign cultures that are taught in English. "